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TELEPHONE CALL TO MR. HAGERTY

The Sec. said he just talked with Geneva - and no one knows what it is all about and there won't be anything definitive until tomorrow morning. They referred to the Pres.'s press conference, and the Sec. said he may want to call it off. The Sec. said he will have the working group at the house at 6 to send guidance to Smith. The Sec. is dubious we can give the American position by 11. H. suggested not cancelling tonight but looking at the situation tomorrow. Perhaps the Pres. can just refuse to discuss Geneva.

The Sec. said Smith will try to hold off on the plenary mtg. until 3 or 4 and that is when the Pres. has his conf. H. said he told the press there would be no statement tonight. The Sec. said he was trying to get the Pres. H. will tell him. Today the cease-fire agreement will be signed; tomorrow political decisions will be taken.

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